

## **MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2005                      9:00 a.m.                      Rom 307 House Office Building, Lansing**

Representative LaJoy, Chair, called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Hood III, Gleason, Leland. (15/17)**

**ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Wenke, Murphy. (2/17)**

Representative Gosselin made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of October 18, 2005, supported by Representative Anderson. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

Representative Casperson made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of October 25, 2005, supported by Representative Byrnes. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

The Chair laid HB 4756 before the Committee.

HB 4756    Gaffney                      Traffic control; driver license; first year drivers; prohibit from having more than 1 passenger other than family member in car.

Representative Gaffney and Dick Miller, representing AAA Michigan, spoke to the Committee in support of HB 4756. Questions were answered for Committee members.

Heather Drake, representing AAA Michigan, submitted a card indicating support of HB 4756.

Danielle Roeber, representing the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), spoke to the Committee in support of HB 4756.

Doug Novak and James Fackler, representing the Michigan Secretary of State spoke to the Committee in opposition to HB 4756 and expressed concerns with certain aspects of the bill.

Homer Smith, representing Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), spoke in support of HB 4756.

Gerald Ockert, representing the Michigan Driver and Traffic Safety and Education Association, spoke in support of HB 4756.

Richard LeBlanc, representing himself, spoke in support of HB 4756.

Sgt. Matt Bolger, representing the Michigan State Police, spoke in support of HB 4756 and clarified various points of discussion.

Adrian Cazal, representing Farmers Insurance, submitted a card in support of HB 4756.

Representative Casperson made a motion to amend HB 4756, supported by Representative Byrnes, as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 2, after “**MEMBERS**” by inserting a comma and “**UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.**”.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Gosselin, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Hood III, Gleason, Leland. (15/17)**

**Nays: None. (0/17)**

**Pass: None. (0/17) (15/0/0)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Hood made a motion to amend HB 4756, supported by Representative David Law, as follows:

1. Amend page 4, line 1, after “**PASSENGER**” by inserting “**WHO IS LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE**”.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Hood III, Gleason, Leland. (14/17)**

**Nays: None. (0/17)**

**Pass: Representative Gosselin. (1/17) (14/0/1)**

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Leland made a motion to amend HB 4756; subsequent to discussion, the amendment was withdrawn.

Representative Nitz made a motion to report HB 4756 (H-1) with recommendation, supported by Representative Casperson.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

**Yeas: Representatives LaJoy, David Law, Meyer, Casperson, Nitz, Moore, Pavlov, Pearce, Anderson, Byrnes, Kathleen Law, Hood III, Gleason, Leland. (14/17)**

**Nays: None. (0/17)**

**Pass: Representative Gosselin. (1/17) (14/0/1)**

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A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Nitz made a motion to excuse absent members, supported by Representative Pavlov. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair LaJoy declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:36 a.m.

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Representative Philip LaJoy, Chair

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